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NEWS OF THE WEEK

CONDENSATIONS OF GREATER OR LESSER IMPORTANCE.

A BOILING DOWN OF EVENTS

National, Political, Personal and Other Matters in Brief Form for All Classes of Readers.

Congress.

Senator Townsend attacked Secretary Bryan on account of his proposed lecture tour.

The resolution of Representative Kahn for investigation in Caminetti case was tabled.

Representative Towner introduced a bill to extend life of the Aldrich-Vreeland currency law for four years.

Representative Dillon introduced a bill prohibiting franking of speeches or remarks of senators or representatives.

Representative Knowland, California, introduced bill for federal regulation, identification and registration of automobiles.

Sharp exchanges occurred between Senators Bristow and Ashurst when Bristow accused latter of sending telegrams at government expense.

Representative Johnson South Carolina, introduced a bill for a hospital at or near Spartanburg, S. C., for the investigation and treatment of diseases, especially pellagra.

Representative Barton, still in pursuit of the steel trust, introduced a resolution calling upon the commissioner of corporations to furnish the house with complete information as to what it costs the factories to make armor plate.

Domestic.

Miss Emma Mahaney, 67 years old, of Worcester, O., asks a heart fund of \$25,000 from John Wolf, a 77-year old veteran of the civil war and a retired merchant, of Patterson, N. J.

Chile announced its willingness to consider the details of Secretary Bryan's peace plan, becoming the twenty-second nation to endorse the project in principle.

Edward E. Phillips, convicted at Indianapolis of conspiracy in the alleged dynamite plot, is the first of the thirty-three men to leave the United States penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan., a free man.

The sealing ship, Erik, formerly used by Commander Peary, is being prepared at St. Johns, N. F., to go to the aid of the steamer, Diana, which went ashore in Belle Isle Straits with the MacMillan expedition on board.

Thomas Marshall Sutherland, who said his age was "free and a half" sat on Vice President Marshall's knees and helped to preside over the senate. Tommie is the one son of Rev. Alex. Sutherland of Berkeley Springs, W. Va., and is the vice president's namesake.

Two young men and a girl, trapped on the 6th floor of a burning loft building in New York stood helpless amid the flames until their clothing took fire. They were ablaze when firemen took them down eighty-five feet extension ladders to the street. They were badly burned.

Carrying their baggage, camp outfit and provisions in a wheelbarrow of light tonnage, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Tubbs and their two sons, aged eleven and nine years, have started on a 1,500 mile walk from Sandpoint, Idaho, a town of fifty miles east of Spokane, to St. Paul, Minn.

A bolt of lightning from an apparently clear sky struck in the center of a play grounds at Pensacola, Fla., where several boys were playing ball. John McCarthy, 14 years old, was killed and Earl Hoffman, manager of the play grounds, and several boys were shocked.

Miss Helen Frick, daughter of the Pittsburgh iron manufacturer, has at last succeeded in her effort to have an ideal summer home for working girls, situated in the country. The Iron Rail club is the name that has been given to the commodious mansion for that purpose in the midst of 150 acres of ground at Wenham, Mass.

Another constitutional amendment to provide that the president and vice president, after March, 1921, shall serve single six-year terms, and any person who has theretofore held the office by election or has discharged the powers and duties, or has acted as president shall be ineligible "to again hold the office by election" has been introduced by Representative Madden of Illinois.

Clara S. Loewus of Towanda, Pa., is made of unconquerable stuff. She worked her way through Cornell and for twenty weeks lived on food that cost only 50 cents a week. Miss Loewus would simply laugh at poverty.

The Anglo-Saxon club at London at its banquet had as its guest of honor the American ambassador, Walter H. Page. Earl Grey, former governor general of Canada, presided, while among the guests were the lord mayor and the sheriffs of London and Lieutenant General Sir Robert Baden-Powell.

Ernest Westphly an aviator, was killed while flying at the aerodrome at Niederrad, Germany.

Jefferson City, Mo., has just opened to traffic a concrete viaduct fifty-eight feet high and 593 feet long, costing \$30,000.

The will of Alfred Austin, the late poet laureate, was probated in London. The estate, which amounts to \$19,490, is all bequeathed to his widow.

Four men were instantly killed and two others injured at Ernest, Pa., when the sides of a mine draining shaft in which they were working collapsed.

The first case in St. Paul under a new Minnesota law prohibiting drinking of liquor on street cars resulted in the workhouse for E. L. Hardy, negro.

The final hearing of the government suit for the dissolution of the International Harvester company of America, will be held in St. Paul on November 13.

A proposal to maintain the status quo as to military and naval preparations among disputants of international differences constitutes the third and final proposal in Secretary Bryan's peace plan.

Sweethearts in their youth, but parted for more than thirty years, Peter J. Barnes, 75 years old, of Kansas, and Mrs. Augusta Doty, 71 years old, of Pleasant Valley, N. Y., were married in Poughkeepsie.

Mrs. Andrew Gunderson of Valley City, N. D., who recently named her triplet daughters in honor of President Wilson's three daughters, received a letter from Miss Margaret Wilson thanking her for the honor conferred "upon the young women of the White house."

The closing of the public offices at Gargona, a town on the Panama canal, which soon will be inundated by the rising waters of Gatun lake, began with the abandonment of the police station. The town will be vacated by all its inhabitants as quickly as possible after August 1.

Seventy-five bankers, representing institutions of Minnesota, North Dakota and Montana, were guests of the officers of the Minnesota Bankers' association at Minneapolis. The purpose of the meeting was the discussion of the national currency law now pending in congress.

The old Perry flagship, the Niagara, rebuilt after being raised from the bottom of the harbor at Erie, Pa., had a hard time weathering a storm in Lake Erie while it was being towed to Fairport, O., from Erie by the naval boats, the Wolverine and Essex. At one time the seas swept the decks of the old vessel and it was necessary to lash its guns.

An agent of a transatlantic steamship line has written Mayor Gaynor of New York, stating that 30,688 persons who were curious to see a new liner during its first stay in New York contributed, at 50 cents each, the sum of \$15,344. A check for \$5,000 of this was enclosed with the request that the mayor distribute it among worthy charities, while the rest was distributed in Hoboken and among seamen's societies.

Dr. F. H. Knowlton, of the Smithsonian Institution and E. W. Berry, of Johns Hopkins university, are enroute to the fossil beds of Florissant, Col. They will endeavor to ascertain the merits of the theory advanced about two years ago by Prof. J. E. Farnsworth of the British museum, that a race of pigmies inhabited this region in prehistoric times. Farnsworth claimed to have found traces of such a race.

Foreign.

Japan is capturing the Australian orange market from California competitors.

A national seed testing station for England is urged, by the London chamber of commerce. Traders must now send seeds for testing as to purity and germination to continental Europe.

A Vienna dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company of London, says: "It is rumored here, but not confirmed, that a revolution has broken out in Sofia and the King Ferdinand has been assassinated."

The growth of Johannesburg, the commercial and financial capital of South Africa and by far the most populous city of the country is steadily forging ahead and it now has a population considerably in excess of 250,000, with a property valuation exceeding \$162,216,000.

A Chinese invasion of Tibet by a large army is in progress, according to private advices reaching London. The main purpose of which is to sell to the simple-minded Tibetans a counterfeit Indian rupee for a thirty-two cents that costs only sixteen cents to manufacture.

During 1912 the boundaries of the city of Glasgow were extended materially and the population greatly increased. In 1911 Glasgow contained 12,975 acres, with a population of 784,455. Greater Glasgow covers 19,183 acres, with a population estimated November, 1912, at 1,010,805.

Siam has established a government savings bank.

While agriculture is carried on in great part in a primitive manner in Sicily, yet the island is gradually feeling the awakening that is so marked in northern Italy at present.

Germany has more than 65,000,000 people living in an area less than that of Texas.

King Constantine's protest to the civilized world against Bulgarian atrocities destroys the last hope of those who believed that Russia would succeed in inducing the belligerents to accept arbitration.

WILL NOT DELAY BILL

REPUBLICANS DO NOT PLAN FILLING BUSTERING TACTICS.

CERTAIN SCHEDULES FACE FIRE

The Principal Fight Will Center Upon the Adoption of the Proposed Amendments.

Washington.—Republican senators have served notice upon their democratic opponents that there is to be no unnecessary delay of the Underwood-Simmons tariff revision bill. While the sharp tongue of republican criticism and dire prediction is to be loosed throughout the tariff debate, the republicans do not plan to adopt any general filibustering tactics or to attempt to hold up final action on tariff revision.

Within the next few days a series of vigorous attacks are to be made on the general principles of the Underwood-Simmons bill following out the lines of the speech, by Senator Cummins. Senator Burton's address will be the first of these general speeches by regular republicans.

To Attack Certain Schedules.

The general denunciations will be followed by concerted attacks on certain schedules, where the republicans insist that the new measure will mean ruin to American industries. The democrats will keep up the fire of debate until the senate is ready to take the bill up section by section for amendment.

When that time arrives, it is understood the republicans will make their final fight for amendment of the bill, hoping they can break up the democratic ranks, particularly on the sugar and wool schedules.

If their efforts fail, it is the present understanding that the republicans will not interpose any final opposition to a vote on the bill. Senators Simmons and Kern and other democrats who are directing the tariff program, are hopeful that the senate can complete work on the bill late in August. Democratic senators are not now prepared to say that that body will consent to work out the currency problem at the present session.

Outwits the Police.

London.—Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the suffragette leader, again has succeeded in outwitting the police. It was thought she was arrested but it was another woman, impersonating Mrs. Pankhurst, whom the police captured in a taxicab and took to Scotland yard. Then they discovered the mistake and liberated their prisoner. At first the whole affair was considered a hoax, but it developed into an apparently well laid scheme whereby Mrs. Pankhurst could escape from her flat by another passage while her impersonator was luring away the police.

Find Mother's Body in Barn.

Sioux Falls, S. D.—Despondent because of ill health and distracted by the fear that she was losing her mind and would be sent to the state hospital for the insane, Mrs. Carter Collins, aged 35 years, wife of a Meady county farmer, hanged herself in the barn. She is survived by a husband and three children. Her body was found hanging in the barn by her children as they were returning from a pasture.

Police Find Baskets of Bombs.

Diabon.—An organized attempt at bomb throwing in various parts of the city was frustrated by the police, who had been warned and were on the lookout. They captured several automobiles in which they found baskets of bombs and arrested many persons who had gathered on the streets. Children playing in the streets later in the day found two bombs. A boy hit one of the bombs with a hammer and it exploded, wounding him severely.

Metcalfe Starts for New Home.

Lincoln, Neb.—Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Metcalfe, accompanied by their sons, Ted and Lee, left for their new home in the Panama canal zone. On the way to New York city, from which they sail August 4, they will stop at Omaha and Washington. At the national capital they will be the guests at several affairs to be given in their honor. Their youngest son, Kenneth, will join them at Washington and will go south with them.

Woman Badly Burned.

Geneva, Neb.—Miss Cora Owens, a popular teacher in the Geneva public school was severely burned by a gasoline explosion while cleaning a pair of gloves.

Pike's Peak in an Auto.

Colorado Springs, Colo.—H. E. Brown, a professional automobile racer, and J. F. Bradley of Colorado Springs, drove a 200-horsepower automobile to the summit of Pike's Peak. The trip was made over the abandoned Grapple creek stage route.

Junket Still Flourishes.

Newport, R. I.—The manufacture of naval torpedoes was witnessed by the members of the house committee on naval affairs. They also saw several torpedoes exploded.

NEBRASKA IN BRIEF.

W. J. Bryan will speak at the Weeping Water chatauqua on August 11.

Colonel Thompson, an old settler of Valentine, died after a lingering illness. He was 86 years of age.

C. F. Benshausen, editor of the Loup City Independent, has been appointed postmaster of his town.

The Peru Pointer, S. W. Hacker & Co., publishers, celebrated its seventeenth anniversary last week.

The Fairbury park board is putting electroliners in the park, and the driveways and auto course are being coated with oil.

Deahler has organized a baseball association, will hire salaried players and will attempt to schedule some good games.

Deahler is planning a corn and live stock show for the latter part of September. Last year's corn and live stock show drew more than five thousand people on the big day.

A statement filed with the state board of assessment gives the total assessed valuation of property in Lancaster county at \$23,980,164. Last year the amount was \$23,504,189.

The Burwell Sun has suspended publication after fifteen months' existence. The subscription list and advertising contracts were taken over by Publisher Parsons of the Tribune.

Assistant Postmaster Miss Myrtle Lamphere, of Republican City, while performing her duties in the office was overcome by the heat to such an extent that she fell to the floor and was unconscious for several hours.

Fire of unknown origin destroyed the barn and garage of Dr. W. W. Foster of Waco. A 55-horse power automobile and a quantity of tools were burned. The loss is estimated at \$2,000 and is fully covered by insurance.

State Superintendent Delzell has returned from the national educational association meeting held at Salt Lake City. Ninety teachers from Nebraska attended the meeting. Mr. Delzell was again made a director of the national association.

Governor Morehead has appointed Henry Allen of Central City to be judge advocate general of the Nebraska National guard. He will take the place vacated by the resignation of Fred Mack of Albion, who is soon to move to Florida.

Bill Kantiel and Patrick McCoy, held on the charge of attempting to hold up Sam Kohn, broke out of the Fremont city jail by boring a hole through a solid brick wall. The men worked with the prongs of an old bicycle.

John Hughes, a farmer living near Pauline, fired six wild shots at his son-in-law, Al Whitmore, then attempted suicide by swallowing carbolic acid and shooting himself in the head.

Programs have been issued for the first annual fair of the Big 4 agricultural association, comprising Dodge, Washington, Saunders and Douglas counties. The first show will be held in Fremont starting September 8 and running a week.

A petition signed by 4,000 voters, or 21 per cent of the vote cast at the last general election, has been filed with Omaha city clerk by socialists asking that an ordinance providing for the sale of seven street car tickets for 25 cents be immediately passed.

Six telephone operators left Omaha for St. Louis to take the places of striking operators. Statements published to the effect that a considerable number had gone under instructions from official of the local company are denied by the latter.

John Radke, a farmer living north of Superior, unloaded a new threshing outfit and set it at a neighbors to thresh. After doing two hours' threshing the boiler blew up, setting the separator afire and burning up two loads of wheat and several wagons.

Miss Mamie Muldoon, chief clerk in the office of Fire Commissioner R. J. Gell, has prepared a very interesting work on prevention of fires, entitled "Lessons in Fire Protection." She has had the work copyrighted and it will probably be made a part of the general school education.

A petition has been filed by Emma Loucks for a divorce from Homer Loucks of Hastings on grounds of alleged cruelty, making false accusations and using vile language against her. The plaintiff asks for the custody of two children and \$15,000 alimony.

Sheriff Rosseter went down to Wood Lake and got a man by the name of Scott, who was arrested for shooting a man by the name of Youns in the face with a shotgun and wounding him very badly. They were having some trouble over a cow and the shooting took place somewhere south of Wood Lake.

Major Arthur R. Hayzel has returned from McCook where he investigated the condition of a company of the Nebraska national guard. It has been decided that the old company shall be mustered out and sixty days given for the organization of a new company. The commercial club of McCook will give the new company its support.

E. R. Gilmore, who was working on top of a threshing machine near Shelby, had one leg drawn into the cylinder and shredded nearly to the knee. He was rushed to a David City hospital and the leg amputated above the knee.

With the new law which gives half pay to convicts serving time in Nebraska's penitentiary, becoming effective this week, prison officials are wondering. The law is all right and the officials are in favor of it. However, no funds were appropriated by the legislature which passed the law to put it in operation.

LOOKS FOR EVIDENCE

REQUEST FOR LOWER FRUIT RATES HEARD THIS MONTH.

TROPHIES FOR RIFLE TEAMS

Company of National Guard Which Has Best Marksmen Will Receive Governor's Cup.

Lincoln.—Representative O. A. Corbin of Vista is looking after evidence to present when his complaint against the railroads asking for a reduction of freight rates on fruit comes up on July 29, which is the day set for the railroad companies to file an answer. Mr. Corbin says that thousands of barrels of good Nebraska apples go to waste in the orchards each season because freight rates on fruit are so high that it does not pay to ship it, while, on the other hand, there are plenty of localities in Nebraska where the fruit would find a ready sale if it could be had at a reasonable price.

Fruit and especially apples, rot on the trees in southeast Nebraska while dealers pay high freight rates to get Oregon apples. For instance, the Nebraska Jonathan is considered the finest flavored apple grown in the country and the excellent quality is especially marked in this state, yet they rot under the trees in Nebraska, while Nebraska people either have to buy apples grown outside the state of a lesser grade or go without. Mr. Corbin thinks that Nebraska people ought to have the chance to buy Nebraska apples if they prefer them and it is for this reason that he makes the complaint before the railway commission for a cheaper rate.

Cups for Guard Companies.

There will be presented to the company of the National Guard having the best rifle team this year a very beautiful loving cup presented by Governor Morehead, to be known as the "Governor's cup." Another cup of about the same design, but considerably smaller, will be presented to the company standing second to the rifle team. This cup will be known as the "Adjutant General's cup." Another silver cup about the size of that presented by the adjutant general will be given to the soldier making the best record in rifle practice. These cups will be contested for yearly and will be the property of the winning company or marksmen until some other company or marksmen makes a better score than the holder.

The cups are of a special design prepared by Major Birken of the adjutant general's office and are especially neat and attractive. In addition to these cups there are several beautiful badges which are to be given to those making special records in the different contests.

New Plan For Support.

Lincoln.—Taxpayers are to have a direct interest in the State University Alumni association from now on, according to plans worked out by the heads of the organization. Hereafter it will have offices on the campus and all expenses connected with the maintenance of the headquarters will come out of funds set aside for the conduct of the university. The plan is similar to that followed by several other states, it is said, and has proven more successful than the method of operating the organization wholly on funds collected by subscription or gift.

The university location fight resulted in a number of alumni members refusing to pay their subscriptions, it is said here, and, although the association freed itself from debt, the precarious position it might be in in the future was not overlooked by the authorities when they make the change.

New Laws Become Effective.

Lincoln.—The new laws passed by the legislature have gone into effect which did not have the emergency clause or which have not run against the referendum snag in the political river or the injunction sandbar. There are 138 which did not have the emergency clause, but three of these have been put to the bad temporarily. The Nebraska City armory appropriation of \$20,000 has been suspended because of the filing of referendum petitions, while the employers' liability law is held up by the same process. The new insurance code law is in the courts and awaits a run into effect or knocked out entirely.

Another bill which will not become a law now is the electrocution law. This does not go into effect until October 1, because of provisions to that effect in the bill. This does away with legal death penalty by hanging and substitutes the electric chair.

State Dairyman's Train.

Lincoln.—The special train of the State Dairyman's association will make an extended trip in the northwestern part of the state September 15 to 19. There will be lectures and experts on the train, and stops of an hour and a half will be made in each town. School principals will be asked to bring pupils to attend the lectures. The train will start from Niobrara, go to Norfolk and then journey to Harrison. At Crawford the train will probably be routed over the Burlington to Ravenna.

DRINKING CUPS MAY GO.

Board of Health Has Power to Abolish Them.

The Buckner law, empowering the state board of health to designate public places or vehicles where public drinking cups may be abolished, is now in effect, but the public cup will stay until the board of health issues orders and names the places where common sops shall not be used. When the bill was first introduced in the legislature it prohibited the use of common drinking cups in all public places and on trains. It was changed to read as follows:

"In order to prevent the spread of communicable diseases, the state board of health is hereby authorized to prohibit in such public places, vehicles or buildings as it may designate, the providing and use of a common drinking cup, and to establish such rules and regulations for this purpose as it may deem necessary." The bill carries a penalty in the form of a fine of not exceeding \$25 for each offense.

The state board of health comprises Governor Morehead, Attorney General Martin and State Superintendent Delzell.

Some of the members of the state board of educational lands and funds, which board has control of the state house, supposed the law prohibited the use of common cups in all public places, and plans have been discussed for the erection of a sanitary drinking fountain in the center of the first floor corridor under the dome, and possibly on every floor of the state house.

It is not known what places will be placed under the ban by the state board of health. The secretaries of the board, of whom Dr. Carr is president, said the secretaries would undoubtedly recommend the discontinuance of the common drinking cup on railroad trains and in most public buildings. A members of an Episcopalian church in Omaha has written the secretaries that his church organization will not submit to the abolition of the common communion cup. He believes the church organization will claim the right to use a common cup in its religious ceremonies. The secretaries of the board will probably take no action in regard to cups in churches. The secretaries cannot do more than recommend, as such actions of the secretaries must be approved by the state board, comprising three officers before they become legal.

State Contract In Dispute.

The Beatrice Light and Power company has asked the board of control to comply with a contract for light and power at the Beatrice institution which the old board of public lands and buildings declined to comply with on the ground that it was not the contract which the board verbally agreed upon. Secretary of State Wait explained to the board of control that E. B. Cowles as chairman of the board of public lands and buildings and himself as secretary of the board, signed the contract in question, but that it did not agree with the terms made by the board and when this was discovered the board of public lands and buildings wrote a letter to the company annulling the contract and telling the company not to carry out the terms of the document which the two board members had signed.

The old board desired to obtain electric light at the institution for feebleminded at Beatrice, the current to be furnished only after 10 p. m., after the power plants of the institution had shut down. The board was to pay a minimum rate of \$50 a month or \$600 a year, and if the amount of current used exceeded that amount the state was to pay 5 cents per kilowatt hour. The state board thought it best to do this instead of running its power plant all night. The contracting company was to have the right or option to change motors at the institution so that it could connect. When the written contract was placed before the board the wording of it did not impress the two state officers who signed it. Later it was discovered that if the motor changes were made the state's own power and light plant at the institution would be useless and could be operated only by current from the contracting company. Then the two state officers who had attached their signatures balked.

The company has not completed the work and merely extended its pole line to the edge of the institution grounds.

Receives Copy of Contract.

A copy of a contract entered into between the government and the Central Irrigation district of Gering has been received by State Engineer D. D. Price. The district agrees to pay \$12,275 to the government for a perpetual water right for water for irrigation purposes. The Pathfinder project is now selling water to half a dozen irrigation companies and has plenty of water for use on irrigated lands under the government ditch.

Get Money From State.

The state auditor has issued a state warrant for \$1,000 to John Keane, formerly a guard at the penitentiary who was accidentally injured while in the employment of the state. The legislature passed a special act for his benefit. The auditor has also issued a warrant for \$2,000 to Mrs. Ida Armstrong whose husband was killed while working on the construction of a new grand stand at the state fair grounds. A warrant for \$37,000 was issued to the contractor who is building the new agricultural hall.